

the fifth P. M., in Marion county, Iowa, and the east half (E. $\frac{1}{2}$) of the south-east quarter (S. E. $\frac{1}{4}$) and the south-west quarter (S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$) of the south-east quarter (S. E. $\frac{1}{4}$) of section twenty-five (25) in township seventy-seven (77) north, of range twenty-two (22) west of the fifth P. M., in Warren county, Iowa, as shown by duplicate certificate of original entry No. 1249 on file in the office of the secretary of state of Iowa.

WHEREAS, Said John Carsner paid the state of Iowa in full for said land, and was entitled to have a patent issued to him therefor, but by mistake or oversight, no patent therefor was signed by the governor of the state and issued as provided by law, and

WHEREAS, The title to said land is still in the state of Iowa, therefore,

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Conveyance of title. That the title to the south half (S. $\frac{1}{2}$) of the north-east quarter (N. E. $\frac{1}{4}$) and the north half (N. $\frac{1}{2}$) of the south-east quarter (S. E. $\frac{1}{4}$) of section thirty-one (31) township seventy-seven (77) range twenty-one (21) in Marion county, Iowa, and the east half (E. $\frac{1}{2}$) of the south-east quarter (S. E. $\frac{1}{4}$) and the south-west quarter (S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$) of the south-east quarter (S. E. $\frac{1}{4}$) of section twenty-five (25) in township seventy-seven (77) north of range twenty-two (22) west of the fifth P. M., in Warren county, Iowa, does hereby pass from the state of Iowa to said John Carsner, and that the same vest in him pursuant to said purchase.

SEC. 2. Patent. And that the governor of the state and that the secretary of state are hereby authorized and directed to issue to said John Carsner a patent for the tracts described in section one of this act, in the usual form, and deliver them to the present owner of said tract, to be recorded in the proper counties.

SEC. 3. In effect. This act, being of immediate importance, shall be in force from and after its publication in the Des [Moines] Leader and Iowa State Register, newspapers published in Des Moines, Iowa.

Approved March 7, 1902.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Act was published in the Iowa State Register and the Des Moines Leader, March 12, 1902.

W. B. MARTIN,
Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 209.

RELIEF OF THE GRANTEES OF JOHN AND W. A. NOBLE.

H. F. 179.

AN ACT for the relief of the grantees of John Noble and W. A. Noble, and for the purpose of having a patent issued in their names for a certain tract of land.

WHEREAS, On the 17th day of November, 1853, John Noble and W. A. Noble purchased from the state of Iowa the south-west quarter (S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$) of the north-east quarter (N. E. $\frac{1}{4}$) of section twenty-seven (27) township seventy-seven (77) north, of range twenty-three (23) west of the fifth P. M., Iowa, and

WHEREAS, By a mistake the duplicate certificate of purchase for same was issued to them, describing the land as being in township seventy-nine (79) instead of township seventy-seven (77), said duplicate certificate being No. 4150, and

WHEREAS, The land in township seventy-nine (79) was, before the date of said purchase, purchased by another party, and later was patented to said party, and

WHEREAS, It was the intention to issue the said John Noble and W. A. Noble a certificate for the said forty acres of land, describing it as in township seventy-seven (77), and

WHEREAS, The patent issued for said land to said John Noble and W. A. Noble described the land as being in township seventy-nine (79) instead of township seventy-seven (77), and

WHEREAS, Said John Noble and W. A. Noble paid the state of Iowa in full for said land and were entitled to have a patent issued to them therefor for the south-west quarter (S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$) of the north-east quarter (N. E. $\frac{1}{4}$) of section twenty-seven (27) township seventy-seven (77) north of range twenty-three (23) west of the fifth P. M., Iowa, and

WHEREAS, The title to said land is still in the state of Iowa, therefore

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Conveyance of title. That the title to the south-west quarter (S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$) of the north east quarter (N. E. $\frac{1}{4}$) of section twenty-seven (27) township seventy-seven (77) north of range twenty-three (23) west of fifth P. M., Iowa, being a part of the Des Moines river land grant, does hereby pass from the state of Iowa to the said John Noble and W. A. Noble, and that the same vest in them pursuant to their said purchase.

SEC. 2. Patent. That the governor of the state of Iowa and the secretary of state are hereby authorized and directed to issue to said John Noble and W. A. Noble a patent for the tract described in section one of this act, in the usual form, and deliver the same to the present owner of said tract, to be recorded in said county of Warren.

SEC. 3. In effect. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall be in force from and after its publication in the Des Moines Leader and the Iowa State Register, newspapers published in Des Moines, Iowa.

Approved March 7, 1902.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Act was published in the Des Moines Leader and the Iowa State Register, March 11, 1902.

W. B. MARTIN,
Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 210.

IMPROVEMENT OF THE CHANNELS OF MEANDERED STREAMS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF CERTAIN CITIES.

S. F. 234.

AN ACT to authorize the improvement of the channels of meandered streams dividing the territory within the corporate limits of certain cities and to authorize the reclaiming of lands between the meandered lines of said streams within said corporate limits and to create a commission therefor and defining its powers and prescribing its duties.

WHEREAS the title to the beds of the meandered streams in Iowa, including all the land between the meandered lines of such streams is vested in the state of Iowa and under control of the legislature, and

WHEREAS much of said lands between the meandered lines of such streams is land, not needed by the waters of such streams for channels or water courses, and

WHEREAS such lands as lie within the corporate limits of said cities would be of great value to the public if reclaimed by walls or embankments to secure an adequate channel for such streams, and

WHEREAS the courses of such streams through such cities could be beautified and made regular and sanitary and the expense of bridging greatly reduced, where they are now unsightly, irregular, unsanitary and of such great width that the expense of bridging and maintaining bridges is very great, and